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## PM (Barclay Patents - Switzerland)

Dear Dr. Gaisch:

hee Pollak has asked me to follow up on one aspect of the possible nullity proceeding against the Barclay patent in Switzerland. We have obtained from Dr. Thomann an estimate of the possible length of time for a nullity proceeding, including appeal. Has Dr. David provided for you such an estimate? If so, we would like to know his estimate. If he has not already provided such an estimate, could you please ask him to provide one.

Very truly yours,

W. Edward Bailey

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